IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

Examiner: S. E. Suereth

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In re Application of: Higgins Serial No. 10/797,513 Filed: March 10, 2004 Confirmation No. 4226 For: METHOD FOR IN-FURNACE REDUCTION FIJIE GAS ACCIDITY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE AND RCE

Applicant requests continued examination pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. This responds to the Office Action dated 10 June 2009 and the Advisory Action dated 26 October 2009 for the above-identified application. The Office is authorized to charge Deposit Account 501923 \$810 for the RCE. If additional Extensions of Time or any other fees for the accompanying response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a Petition therefore. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit account 501923.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this response.